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NORTH CAROLINA.

CONVENTION OF THE ASSOCIATION
OF THE DEAF—NEW OFFICERS
ELECTED—STRONG RESOLUTIONS
ADOPTED.

From the Charlotte, N. C., Observer.

MEETING OPENS.

President Robert S. Taylor presided over the meeting, which was opened at 10 o'clock. Prof. W. L. Walker, of Cedar Springs, S. C., is official interpreter. When the president announced in signs that the convention would be opened with prayer by Rev. C. Wilder, of Durham, the assemblage rose and watched the minister intently, as he made the invocation in the sign language.

President Taylor then introduced Mayor Bland, who made a brief but happy address, extending a cordial welcome to the visitors and commending the motives which led them to band together for a noble purpose. On motion of Mr. M. H. Johnson, of Pender County, the mayor was given a vote of thanks at the conclusion of his speech.

Mr. W. R. Hackney, who, though deaf is not a mute, read an address of welcome. Said he:

ADDRESS OF MR. HACKNEY.

"Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:—It is the greatest pleasure to me to stand before you to welcome you, one and all on behalf of the deaf of Charlotte and Mecklenburgh County.

"When I say 'welcome' I mean in the full meaning of the word. Welcome to enjoy the pleasures and amusements that abound in our great city. Welcome to enjoy to your heart's content in everything that you may see or do.

"Welcome to enjoy all the pleasures and pastimes that have been planned for you during your stay in our city.

"I feel like the people on our Western frontier; when if anybody or some lone traveler passing through their country, who is hungry or in need passes by their home without going in and providing for himself whether they are at home or not, will feel insulted or done a great injustice.

"We do not want you to go home hungry for pleasure or recreation without enjoying yourselves to the limit.

"Our mayor, Hon. C. A. Bland, has already welcomed you on behalf of the city.

"We will leave nothing untended to make your stay a pleasant one.

"We are glad to have you with us and if there is anything that we can serve you call on us."

MR MILLER SPEAKS.

The next address on the program, the response of the mayor by Mr. Robert C. Miller, was eloquently delivered in the sign language, while Professor Walker read it aloud from the manuscript.

"Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen:—In behalf of the visiting delegates here assembled. It gives me great pleasure to assure you of our high appreciation of your kind welcome to your city, known far and wide as 'The Queen City of the Carolinians.' It is a great pleasure for us to be among the people of intelligence, culture, generosity, merit and hospitality.

"This is not the first visit that I have paid to Charlotte. I have been here many times and have enjoyed the kind hospitality so willingly extended to me on these occasions.

"Charlotte is the largest and most important commercial and manufacturing city in our great State. It is in the midst of a rich agricultural region, and has an extensive trade, especially in cotton.

"The progressive spirit in business lines is beautifully demonstrated.

"The public roads of Mecklenburgh County are a source of great pride and contribute greatly to the city's growth and prosperity. We congratulate you upon such a wholesome state of affairs.

"We cannot forget that it was here, that on May 20, 1775, the people of Mecklenburgh County formally de-

clared their freedom from English rule and authority, and published what is known as the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. This was the first assertion on the part of any of the colonists of the right to sever themselves from the British Crown, and was a noble and daring act of patriotism. It is fitting that you celebrate this day with imposing and appropriate ceremonies annually, as it is something worth remembering, and worth teaching to your children and their posterity.

"And, now, you wish to know the object of our convention. We have come from all parts of this State to enjoy the pleasure of meeting old friends and making new ones, and to exchange experiences and ideas, and to devise the best ways of promoting the welfare of our little 'brethren in silence,' as well as disabusing the public mind of erroneous ideas about deaf people.

"I wish to call your attention to the great progress of the deaf.

"Among the erroneous ideas concerning deaf people is one entertained by employers, who suppose that our deafness debars us from various lines of employment, whereas, trial has shown in many instances that hearing was not essential. There are quite a number of employments where a deaf person can give entire satisfaction, provided he has character and education.

"Of more than 1,000 deaf citizens of the State, not one is engaged in begging or peddling, and in 99 cases out of every 100 'deaf' beggars and peddlers belong to that class of people whom we designate as 'our more fortunate brother.'

"The deaf people you see here this morning are self-supporting, independent and respected citizens, on the same social plane with hearing people. They are engaged in almost all kinds of employment. Many deaf-mutes in the United States are prominent in different walks of life. They have their churches, their associations, fraternities, and their old people's homes, all maintained by their own efforts. They have demonstrated that deafness presents no serious obstacle to mental culture or success in the practical affairs of life.

"We think that the hearing public should not always be unjustly criticised for their apparent prejudice against the deaf, in a business way, as many of those hearing people actually do not understand the deaf correctly as a class as they should. The people of the State will better understand the efforts we are making for our own uplift and the part we are taking in building up the State.

"Our convention promise to make an epoch in the history of our Association. I am sure that every one here is glad to be here, and that we will go away with better minds and a better understanding of what can be done than when we came.

"For the welcome, which you have so cordially extended and which we all feel and felt long before a word of welcome was spoken, we thank you most heartily."

OTHER SPEECHES.

Mr. Walter Glover, of South Carolina, Vice-president of the National Association of the Deaf, made a pleasing speech in sign language.

Prof. E. McK. Goodwin, superintendent of the Deaf and Dumb School, was called on and made an inspiring speech. Mr. Andrew C. Miller, of Shelby, father of Mr. Robert C. Miller, a teacher in the State School, and also father of Messrs. Hugh and Andrew Miller, delegates to the convention, was called on and spoke happily. 'I never heard of an instance where deaf-mutes do not make good,' said he.

Miss Elizabeth Julian, of Charlotte, recited gracefully in sign language "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

The next event was the address of President Taylor, which was read by Miss Robina Tillinghast, of Durham, missionary to the deaf, as he delivered it. He discussed the usefulness of such conventions and the motives that prompt them. Said he:

"In the matter of education, we are striving to get rid of all narrowness, all extremes in methods, and are standing on the broad, sensible, progressive platform that the best thing to do in educating the deaf

child is to use any and all known methods to reach, excite and develop the child's mind and give it a true understanding; that to confine the education of a deaf child to any single method is not giving the child a square deal.

"Also, we advocate more and better training in industrial occupations for the deaf youth while in school. The handicap of deafness becomes greater and more difficult to overcome with the increase in the cost of living and the keener competition for employment which such conditions create. Therefore, the deaf youth need and should have a thorough training both of mind and of hand while in school. For the schools to make a play to the galleries in the way of speech teaching, lip-reading, and in military drill, is not going to make a bread and butter winning combination for the deaf child after he leaves school, nor add to his happiness and capabilities as a citizen. Co-ordinate training of mind and body—the one to understand, the other to do things—is what he needs."

To show the agreement between the Carolinians and the other associations of the deaf, President Taylor read resolutions adopted by them. The position was taken that the deaf should be consulted as to policy or contemplated changes, asking that alumni and alumnae be represented on the directorates, and protesting against any attempt to force any one system, as the oral method, on children who proved unadapted to this.

Remarks on the president's address were made by Mr. Milton Johnson. Very interesting talks were made by Messrs. D. R. Tillinghast, R. C. Fortune, Prof. Robert C. Miller, Prof. J. C. Miller and Miss Robina Tillinghast.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The following committee on resolutions was appointed: C. E. Jones, Chairman, Hugh G. Miller, Joel M. Bird and M. H. Johnson.

Committee on Rules—H. G. Boyd and G. F. Yoder.

The convention listened to the hymn "Nearer, My God, to Thee," rendered by Miss Orpha Provott, and then adjourned to meet again at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The program for the afternoon session consisted of reports of officers and routine. After this was finished the discussion of conditions affecting the welfare of the deaf was taken up. The first topic was that of education and was led by the president, Mr. Robert S. Taylor, who said that industrial education was now just as important as that gained in the school room proper.

This led the way to the discussion of the next topic, industrial conditions affecting the deaf. This was led by George H. Bailey, of Woodleaf, who said that agriculture was the best calling for the majority of the deaf to follow.

There was a lively exchange of views among several members, the gist of which was that the deaf left school unprepared to engage in agricultural work because of lack of proper advantages, in this branch of industrial training, at the Morganton school. One member called upon those present who had gained any useful instruction in farming on the farm at school, to please raise their hands. Their are many farmers among the deaf of the State, some of whom are doing excellent work, but not a hand went up to show that any help had been gained from the instruction given at Morganton. A motion was made by Mr. Charles E. Jones, that the officers of the Association be instructed to consult and advise with the Board of Directors with a view to the making of improvements in the farm work at the school, especially in the foremanship of instruction.

RELIGIOUS INFLUENCES.

The next topic was that of social and religious influences. This was led by Mr. D. R. Tillinghast, chaplain of the School for the Deaf. He said, among other things, that a number of deaf-mutes, living scattered up in the State, should get together and form a co-operative society; live near each other, and co-operate in farming and in the sale of their produce. He felt assured that they, organized, would prosper better than they would separately.

They have many social opportunities. Rev. Grover C. Wilder, Baptist missionary to the deaf, joined in this discussion, especially the religious feature. He criticized severely the authority over the boys at school while outside the school-room, claiming that the influence of the supervisor was not proper, and for the best interests of the boys, because it was not religious. He cited the act of the supervisor in abolishing the Children's Christian Endeavor Society, which they had established and managed for themselves for over 20 years, as evidence to sustain his view. Others spoke along the same line. Mr. Wilder did not think the condition blamable upon the superintendent, but others disagreed with him and said that several prominent deaf persons had protested to the Board about the matter, and that upon the assurance of the superintendent that this influence was all right and proper, the Board dropped the subject and took no action, thus placing the responsibility on the superintendent.

This concluded the discussion for the afternoon.

With the election of officers to serve for the ensuing term, the selection of Wilmington for the next biennial meeting, and the adoption of strong resolutions urging the giving of recognition to the deaf on the directorate of the State Institution at Morganton the fourth biennial convention of the North Carolina Association of the Deaf came to a close at the Mecklenburg Hotel last yesterday afternoon. Last night there was a splendid moving picture lecture for the benefit of those attending, and to-day there will be a big picnic at Riverside, which will conclude the entertainment features. The Charlotte meeting, in the estimation of those present, has been the most successful in the history of the organization. The attendance has been large, the personnel high, and the lectures given of extraordinary interest.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Mr. Charles E. Jones, of Lattimore, president; Miss Roma Fortune, of Durham, vice-president; Mr. Robert S. Taylor, of Mount Olive, secretary; and Mr. John C. Miller, of Morganton, treasurer.—the election of Messrs. Jones, Taylor and Miller being by unanimous vote.

As to the place for holding the next biennial, Asheville and Wilmington were the two cities competing, the mountain city losing out after a strong fight, the choice of Wilmington being then made unanimous.

FOR REPRESENTATION.

The most interesting and spirited discussion of the day was that centering about the resolution offered by the resolution committee demanding representation for the deaf on the board of directors of the school at Morganton. There were several lively speeches and the resolution was adopted by unanimous vote save on the part of Messrs. J. C. and Robert Miller, who are teachers in the institution. They indicated that they favored the resolution, but the policy of the administration authorities being against it, felt that they could not vote for it. The leaders in the discussion favoring the resolution were Messrs. Robert S. Taylor, Milton H. Johnson, George Bailey and others.

One of the features of the afternoon session was the talk of Prof. W. Laurent Walker, of the South Carolina School for the Deaf, who has been acting as interpreter for the convention. Professor Walker secured the floor and gave expression to some very complimentary sentiments about the personnel of the convention. He said that a school that gave such splendid men and women to the State could not be anything but a good school.

Prior to adjournment Miss Bessie White, of Charlotte, gave a beautiful rendition in signs of the hymn "God Be With You, Till We Meet Again."

The resolutions of appreciation were addressed to the citizens of Charlotte, Greater Charlotte Club, Mecklenburg and other hotels, local entertainment committee of which Mr. W. R. Hackney is chairman, newspapers, railroads, Prof. W. I. Walker, Rev. G. C. Wilder, Miss Robina Tillinghast and the retiring officers of the Association.

RESOLUTIONS.

The resolutions adopted, which so much interest centered and which give a brief synopsis of the convention are as follows:

WHEREAS, The president and officers of this association were carrying out the instructions of this body and had the approval and support of the Governor of the State, who had thoroughly investigated the peculiar situation affecting the deaf of the State in their relations to the North Carolina School for the Deaf where they were educated, in all efforts that were made to get representation for the deaf on the Board of Directors of the school; and,

WHEREAS, The Superintendent and the President of the board did approve and are now bitterly opposed to such policy; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we do express our displeasure and disappointment at such opposition and request that it stop, so that the deaf of the State may come into trustful and helpful co-operation with said authorities in the management of the school, in the advancement of all interests affecting the deaf pupils therein, and of the adult deaf of the State.

Resolved, That the number of directors of the school for the deaf in North Carolina should be increased from seven to nine, that one or both new members should be deaf persons of education, good judgment and business ability; that the president of this association be and he is hereby selected to represent this body before the next session of the Legislature of North Carolina for the purpose of securing said two new members of the Board of Directors.

Resolved, That this association shall co-operate with the National Association of the Deaf, and that we endorse the appointment of Mr. R. S. Taylor to the Executive Committee of that association.

Resolved, That we endorse the resolutions of the National Association of the Deaf, the Gallaudet College Alumni Association, the two strongest deaf bodies in the world, which were expressed in the President's address.

Resolved, That we heartily commend the Board of Directors of the School for the Deaf for their action in retaining Mr. D. R. Tillinghast as chaplain.

Resolved, That it is the duty of the deaf of this State to guard the public against impostors and to prosecute to the full extent of the law the 'pretending deaf-mute beggars.'

Resolved, That we endorse the record and actions of the administration of the association since the last meeting in 1912.

Resolved, That we commend the untiring efforts of our retiring president in behalf of the bill before the last Legislature to increase the members of the Board of Directors of the school so as to include a deaf man.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this association that the educational interests of deaf require an increased ratio of deaf teachers and male hearing teachers possessing the requisite intellectual and moral qualifications.

MORNING SESSION.

The morning session yesterday took up the program where it was left off Thursday afternoon with President Taylor in the chair.

"Domestic Science" for the deaf, was first taken up, the leader in this discussion being Miss Robina Tillinghast, of Durham. The subject was discussed altogether in the sign language, the leader giving many valuable hints, while delegates arising in their seats, took part in the sign discussion with all the energy and thoroughness of understanding of the man of normal hearing. The first part of the morning's session was of especial interest to young girls and woman delegates to the meeting, this work being summed up under the heading of "Cultural Work" for the deaf.

AS TO IMPOSTORS.

At the conclusion of the discussion the meeting went into a discussion of impostors, under the guidance of President Taylor, the idea being that many people, especially as deaf, are able to gather in considerable sums of money for their own use, whereas in many cases these people are not deaf or dumb, or afflicted with anything but laziness. There were several short talks in the sign language on this subject, after which a strong resolution was offered and adopted, setting the association on record against such practices and impostures both for its own protection and for that of the public.

The resolution calls on the city authorities in various cities, and also on the conductors in charge of trains, to be on the lookout for these impostors and to see to it that they get their deserts at the hands of the law. The resolution was adopted unanimously.

PRESIDENT TAYLOR REMEMBERED.

At this point one of the members of the Association, M. H. Johnston, of Burgaw, appeared on the platform and announced in the sign language that the convention had

just completed the raising of a purse which it desired to present to President Taylor for his efficient services in behalf of the organization and its interests for the past four years. The presentation was made in the sign language and President Taylor replied in the same language, declaring that he was in the work because of his love for it and on account of his interest in the welfare of the deaf. He expressed great appreciation of the gift.

RALEIGH FAIR.

Another announcement and matter was presented at this juncture by J. M. Miller, relative to the exhibits by the deaf at the State fair in Raleigh this Fall. It was announced that space had been retained as in the past, and that alumni and students of the school were specially invited to send in their exhibits having created general interest in former years. The men, women, farmers, and wives of farmers, and pupils, were all urged to co-operate in this work, and if the owner of any exhibit desired, the exhibit could be offered on sale at the close of the fair.

FANWOOD.

Next week school re-opens—the 97th year. During the summer, the buildings have undergone a great amount of painting, and cleaning has been carried through under eagle-eyed matrons, therefore, when on September 16th, the school throws open its doors for the admission of the returning pupils, everything will be in readiness. Some changes were made in the Household Staff. Miss Mary Muirhead resigned on the 1st of August, and her place has been filled by the appointment of Miss Edna M. Beaver.

Two new tutors have been appointed to fill vacancies. They are Misses Martha Hottenstein and Carrie Hoffman. On September 1st all the tutors on vacation returned to their posts.

Miss Bertha E. Dissinger spent her vacation in Lebanon, Pa., as also did Miss Mary E. Spitzer.

Miss Alice L. Hagar spent her month's vacation in Virginia.

Miss Isabella Hancock found Auburn, N. Y., to her liking during the month of August.

Miss Agnes Craig, of course, was in Philadelphia, Pa., the "slow little village," where Mr. J. S. Reider lives. She reports that it is the same "dear Philadelphia" as of yore.

Miss Madeline M. Browne hid herself to Poughkeepsie, August 1st, and returned on time with the others, much improved in appearance, which goes to show that Poughkeepsie is good place to spend one's vacation. Miss Browne has charge of the shirtmaking department here.

Miss Alice Judge, one of the Assistant Matrons, is also back, and judging by her general appearance must have had a pretty fine vacation.

Mr. Enoch George Margraf, the Principal's Secretary, is back-fact is, he is always back here when the Principal is at the Institution. During his month's of vacation he must have witnessed many a baseball game, of which there are no more enthusiastic followers of the national game than Mr. Margraf. Playing in deep left with the Fanwoods, Mr. Margraf has picked many a fly out of the sun.

On Wednesday forenoon Mr. Allen C. Brook, a former deaf-mute of Russia, who later came to live in Cincinnati, O., and attended school in Columbus for five years, was here. He has been in this city the past three weeks on his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bierhaus and Miss Ida B. Kinsley, of Indianapolis, Ind., were visitors at Fanwood on Tuesday afternoon, September 1st, and were shown around by Miss Alice E. Judge. They arrived in this city on the Italian steamer "Giovanni" the day before. They left for Europe on June 27th, and traveled through Belgium, Hol-

land, Germany, Austria and Italy, and intended also to see something of England and France, but in Italy they met some deaf-mutes, who invited them to their club, and communicated to them by means of signs that war had broken out, and that even Italy was then preparing to get into the conflict. Though they got back safe and sound, yet like many other Americans they had to pay first-class passage for third-class accommodations, and leave their baggage on the other side. The food was not fit to eat, and they were not permitted to keep the port holes open, hence the air was stifling, and in consequence many suffered dreadfully. Mr. Bierhaus and Miss Kinsley are teachers in the Indiana School for the Deaf. The former has been teaching the deaf for thirty-five years.

Mr. M. Heyman, on Tuesday morning, called at the Institution, accompanied by Mr. Walter Duran, Gallaudet College, 1914, of Alliance, O., who had arrived the day before and was his guest. Young Walter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Duran, and as a son of graduates of this school, was made to feel at home. His visit was very brief, as he left by boat on the same afternoon for Hartford, Ct., where he goes to fill the newly created position of Instructor in Printing at the American School for the Deaf. Success to him.

Cadets Charles Golden and Arthur Tabachnick were here Tuesday evening to exchange news with the boys.

Mr. Benjamin Goldstein, who graduated last June, was also a caller here Tuesday evening.

Will the boys and girls who remained at the Institution be glad when School re-opens. Yes, indeed, without one exception they all seem to be glad and anxious for the opening day.

The printer-apprentices who have set up type in the JOURNAL office during the summer, will miss their all-day routine of slinging type, but they, too, will be glad that vacation is over, and once again take up their school studies. During the summer they made very marked progress. They are Max Cohen, J. Rosenberg, Charles Olsen, John N. Funk, August Wriede. From June to the first of August Herman Cammann was also here, and G. Tingberg till August 29th.

Dr. Thomas F. Fox, on September 7th and 8th, was in Portsmouth, N. H., where he delivered an oration before the members of the New England Gallaudet Association, in Convention assembled in that city. The title of his oration was "The Survival of the Fittest."

Editor Holgson and Mr. Capelli were in attendance at the Tenth Biennial Convention of the New Jersey Association of the Deaf, on Labor Day. The sessions were held in Trinity Parish House, Rector Street, Newark, N. J.

Cadet William Burke throughout the summer months has been assisting the painters in their work at the Institution, and has done good work.

Miss Mary Lewis, the Laundry matron, and Miss Murphy, one of the nurses, who sailed for the Green sod—Ireland—in July, have not returned, but no uneasiness here is felt for their safety, and they are expected to arrive at any time now.

Kite-flying has been the chief amusement of several of the boys during the summer. Every year some improvement has been made, and now if Benjamin Franklin was living to see how the deaf boys of this school fly their kites, he would surely return the laurels which have long been conceded to him for that sport. Of course the boys have been aided by the tutors. The other day one of the kites was sent so high that many mistook it for an aeroplane.

Principal Carrier went to Essex, N. Y., the latter part of last week, and will probably remain there until a few days previous to the opening of school for the new term of 1914-15.

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Wherever wrong is done
To the humblest and the weakest
'Neath the all-beholding sun,
That wrong is also done to us,
And they are slaves most base,
Whose love of right is for themselves,
And not for all the race."

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DETAILED reports of three conventions in a week is no small accomplishment, and the editor takes pride in calling attention to it. Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and Mississippi, all have a full chronicle of their convention proceedings, to present to the reading and thinking world of deaf men and women, through the medium of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL.

Next week a full account of the New Jersey convention, and of the convention of the New England Gallaudet Association, will be on the JOURNAL's literary menu.

As a medium of disseminating the news concerning the deaf, as well as their views and opinions, we challenge any one to contradict the statement that there exists, or ever has existed, a newspaper for the deaf that has even approximated the JOURNAL's accomplishment.

Do the deaf in general appreciate it? Counting up the subscribers, we can say that many of them do. But far too many do not. The Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Mississippi Conventions, taken together, have added just one more name to the JOURNAL's subscription list. And for the big amount of literature contributed to the California 1915 boom, with its three hundred names added to the N. A. D. roster, a total of less than six subscribers is the result.

Now, we are not after the money of the deaf, but rather after their appreciation. Still the logical evidence of appreciation would seem to be in the number who subscribe for and read the JOURNAL.

This is no lament, and we hope none of our readers will so interpret it. The main point is that the deaf should be more alive to the advantage offered them through a public medium that promulgates their activities, and devotes time, money, and effort to enhance their welfare.

AFTER almost a century has elapsed, the America School for the Deaf, at Hartford, Ct., has added to the list of vocational studies that of the Art of Printing. As a means of inculcating language, broadening and stimulating the mind by everyday facts and fundamental knowledge, as well as supplying a sure means of success in the battle for bread, there is no vocation that has proved its value as certainly and generally as the "art preservative." Nearly every Institution for educating the deaf has a school for training and educating pupils in the mysteries of printing. Most of them were inaugurated more than a quarter of a century ago, and some of them have been in existence thirty, thirty-five and forty years. Good for "Old Hartford!" In the language of the politician, who was greatly embarrassed when asked to address a big gathering of Sunday School children: "The mills of the gods grind slowly, but they get there just the same."

PENNSYLVANIA.

Proceedings of the 28th Convention P. S. A. D.

AT PITTSBURGH, PA.

August 27th to 29th, 1914—

A Harmonious and Successful Meeting.

REPORTED FOR THE DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL.

The Twenty-eighth Meeting of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf was held in the chapel of the Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Edgewood Park, Pa., on Thursday morning of August 27th, 1914. President James S. S. Reider, of Philadelphia, presiding, and Secretary R. M. Ziegler reporting.

At 10:25 A. M., the President called the meeting to order and made the opening address as follows: "Ladies and Gentlemen, Members of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf:—We are gathered here this morning for the purpose of holding the Annual and Twenty-eighth Meeting of our Society. We salute you most cordially, and now take pleasure in calling the meeting to order."

In pursuance of the Rules, this meeting is called to hear reports, elect four Managers to serve three years, in place of those whose term expire after this meeting—viz.: R. M. Baker, Johnstown; F. A. Leitner, Wilkinsburg; John A. Roach, Philadelphia; William K. Clayton, Ashland; and to transact such other business as may come before it.

May we express the hope that the sound policy of the Society will be as zealously guarded at this Pittsburgh meeting as it has been elsewhere in the State in the past.

We trust that the arrangements for this Convention will prove a source of both profit and pleasure to all who attend it.

Mr. A. U. Downing and Mr. L. Roberts have kindly consented to act as our interpreters.

Mr. Nelson C. Freeland, of Philadelphia, has been engaged to act as official stenographer.

After the invocation by Rev. F. C. Smielan, of Allentown, there followed addresses of welcome by Dr. W. N. Burt, Superintendent of the Western Pennsylvania Institution, and Mr. Charles Fritzsche, President of the Pittsburgh Local Branch P. S. A. D.; and addresses in response by Rev. F. C. Smielan, and Mr. Charles L. Clark, of Scranton.

On motion, the minutes of the last meeting, held in Shamokin, August 14-17, 1913, were approved as printed in the pamphlet form.

The Secretary read the following condensed Annual report of the Board of Managers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914:

The following is a condensed report of the Annual Report of the Board of Managers:

On August 15, 1913, immediately after the election of four managers in accordance with the charter, the Board held its stated meeting. Those present in person were: James S. Reider, Thomas Breen, R. Middleton Ziegler, Rev. F. C. Smielan, W. K. Clayton, Charles Partington and Samuel S. Haas. On motion, duly seconded, the following officers were unanimously elected under the By-Laws: President, J. S. Reider; First Vice-President, Rev. F. C. Smielan; Second Vice-President, F. C. Leitner; Secretary, T. Middleton Ziegler; Treasurer, J. A. Roach.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted at the annual meeting of the Society held at Shamokin last year:

"That the Board of Managers be empowered to elect a delegate to represent the Society at the meetings of the National Association of the Deaf, at Cleveland, O., August 20-27, 1913."

In pursuance of this resolution, the Board appointed Rev. F. C. Smielan, the newly elected Vice-President of the Society, to represent the Society at the Tenth Convention of the National Association of the Deaf. His interesting report, as a delegate, was presented at the adjourned meeting of the Board.

The National Association of the Deaf is raising funds to erect a statue to the Abbe de l'Epee, the French priest, who is known as the "father of the sign-language," at some suitable place in this country. The Board authorized an appropriation of ten dollars towards this object as the Society's contribution.

The General Fund of the P. S. A. D., on June 1, 1914, shows a balance of \$168.63; the Maintenance Fund of the Home, \$1177.42; the Endowment Fund, \$6,955.95; which with the Branch balances reported bring the aggregate on hand to \$8,775.49.

On the 17th of April, 1914, the Board received with regret the resignation of Frank M. Germane, Esq., as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Home.

Mr. Edwin Stanley Thompson, a teacher in the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, was chosen to fill Mr. Germane's unexpired term (ending June, 1915). No doubt he will prove a valued successor to Mr. Germane.

Messrs. J. A. McIlvaine, Jr., C. O. Dantzer and A. C. Manning, whose terms expired this year, were duly re-elected Trustees of the Home for the ensuing term of three years. They have rendered very excellent service in the past.

The financial affairs of the Home have been wisely and economically managed, and conducted along strict business lines, yet in spite of this fact there was a very small balance on hand at the end of the fiscal year.

The following table shows the total receipts in the Maintenance and Endowment Funds of the Home (not including balances on hand) during each year since 1904-1905, and the average yearly receipts:

YEAR	MAINTENANCE FUND	ENDOWMENT FUND
1904-05	\$2,095 35	
1905-06	3,809 73	\$458 00
1906-07	5,343 56	542 00
1907-08	3,285 41	378 00
1908-09	3,972 84	78 00
1909-10	3,489 43	819 00
1910-11	15,037 76	345 95
1911-12	3,382 35	3,360 70
1912-13	2,783 19	673 77
1913-14	2,381 21	196 28
Total	\$35,580 83	\$6,851 98

Average yearly receipts for Maintenance Fund, \$3,558.08; Endowment Fund, \$685.19.

\$2,095.14, the proceeds of two bazars (Philadelphia, \$504.45 and Pittsburgh, \$758.59) was included in the \$2,095.35.

The \$1,900 from the estate of the late Joseph Meek and \$1,737.74 from the Special Twenty-fifth Anniversary Offering aggregate \$3,637.74, and form the greater part of the \$5,037.76.

The above table shows that there has been a constant decrease in the receipts since 1910-1911. The receipts this year are less than those of the previous year—by \$401.82.

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The Board most earnestly hopes that renewed efforts will be made this coming year to increase both the maintenance and the endowment funds. It is suggested that each Local Branch of the Society hold a bazaar in their own locality on the same day, December 12th of this year. We believe that \$15,000.00 and \$2,000.00 can be raised by this means and that a widespread interest will be created for the Home.

The Annual Report of the Treasurer of the Society shows the total receipts for the year, ending May 31st, 1914, were: \$890.59, including a balance from the previous year of \$233.86. The expenditures for the same year, were: \$721.93, leaving a balance, May 31st, 1914, of \$168.56.

The following is a summary report of the Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the Home:

The number of inmates remains the same as given in our last report, nineteen, fifteen women and four men, there having been no deaths, no withdrawals, and no admissions during the year. The condition of health that has prevailed we regard as truly remarkable, when the general advanced age of the family is taken into account. There has hardly been a case of illness worth noting.

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Expenditures for the year, excluding extraordinary outlays, amounted to \$249.02; receipts from all sources, \$238.21; balance on hand, June 1st, 1914, \$178.42. The Endowment Fund has received the rather insignificant addition of \$196.28, and now amounts to \$695.95. In subsequent pages will be found the Treasurer's report in detail.

The per capita cost, based on ordinary expenses, as heretofore, is \$141.51, a slight decrease over that of last year.

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We cannot adequately express our deep sense of gratitude to the Committee of Ladies of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb for their continued maintenance of three inmates. Without this help we would be put to severe straits to make ends meet. Not only do these philanthropic women give this much needed aid to our Home but also do they lend succor in great measure to many of the distressed and needy among the former pupils of the Schools.

A couple of years ago the custom of taking up a voluntary collection from the advanced pupils of the Sunday-school at the Mount Airy Institution was inaugurated. Last year a fund of somewhat over thirty-six dollars was in this way accumulated. By vote of the pupils themselves it was turned over to the benefit of the Home. When the present school year started, these pupils expressed a desire to henceforth maintain a room of their own at the Home. This the Trustees granted, and assigned to their care and furnishing a small room on the third floor, large enough to accommodate two inmates. During the year the older girls drew upon this fund, and through the oversight of Miss C. M. Hess, the matron, purchased material which they converted

into sheets, pillow cases and curtains, for this particular room, which is now designated by a nickel plate, on the door that reads: "Maintained by the Pupils of the Mount Airy School."

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The Annual Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Home shows as follows:

Balance on hand, June 1, 1914	\$1,646 23
From P. S. A. D.	391 19
From Cash Receipts	116 43
On Donation Day	281 60
From Ladies Committee	
Inst. for D. & D.	375 00
From Sunday School	
Collections at	
Penna. Inst. for	
D. & D.	115 72
From Fees of Inmates	798 00
From Interests on	
Cash deposits	31 70
From Bonds, Endowment	
Fund	225 00
From Sale of Carpets	
and Aprons at	
the Home	46 57
Total Receipts	\$4,027 44
Total Expenditures	\$2,849 02
Balances on hand May 1, 1914	1,178 42

ENDOWMENT FUND

Cash on hand May 31, 1914	2,759 69
Donations to Fund	129 15
Interest on Cash deposits	67 73
Bond purchased	\$2,955 95
	1,000 00
Cash on hand at date	\$1,955 95
Bonds on hand, par value	5,000 00
Total amount of Fund at date	\$6,955 95
Total of Maintenance Fund at date	1,178 42
Total of both Funds	\$8,134 37

The report was accepted and printed in the pamphlet form. (Copies were on the table for distribution.)

The President then announced the appointment of the following Committees:—

On Business.—F. A. Leitner, Chairman, Wilkinsburg; J. M. Rolshouse, Pittsburgh; Charles M. Pennell, Philadelphia.

On Enrollment.—Chas. Fritzsche, Chairman, Miss Euna S. Boyd, Mrs. J. M. Rolshouse, Mr. George Annis, and William McKinney.

Then followed addresses by Mr. G. M. Teegarden, Mr. George Austin, R. M. Ziegler and F. A. Leitner.

Announcements in regard to the proposed visit to the Home of the "57" varieties were made by Mr. Leitner, Chairman of the Committee on arrangements.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 A. M.

Thursday afternoon a trolley ride to the "Home of the 57" and a journey through the kitchens of H. J. Heinz Co., to see how the famous 57 varieties are made. Over 170 delegates visited the factory and then assembled in the large dining room where they tasted the 57 varieties.

Thursday evening—Public Meeting.

The proceedings were opened with prayer by Rev. B. R. Allabough, of Cleveland, O.

The President appointed the following Committee on Resolutions: Rev. F. C. Smielan, of Allentown, Chairman, G. M. Teegarden, of Pittsburgh; R. M. Ziegler, of Philadelphia; Chas. L. Clark, of Scranton, and Rev. B. R. Allabough, of Ohio.

First Vice-President Smielan took the chair.

President Reider made the following Annual Address:—

ANNUAL ADDRESS

To the Members of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf: Ladies and Gentlemen:—Another year, the thirty-third in the history of the Society, has made its round, and this is the twenty-eighth meeting and the fourth held in the city of Pittsburgh.

MEETINGS IN THE LEADING CITIES.

Only four meetings in Pittsburgh in the three years I should seem that more than four meetings have been held here, the great deaf center in Western Pennsylvania and the home of the second largest school for the deaf in the State. But then we recollect that Philadelphia, the largest city in the State and the home of our Corporation, has only one meeting to its credit. I dare say that the former meeting held here were fraught with more than ordinary interest, importance and success, and of equal moment were those held in Philadelphia. While the smaller societies and schools have been held in the State, the larger ones have been held in the State.

Without this help we would be put to severe straits to make ends meet. Not only do these philanthropic women give this much needed aid to our Home but also do they lend succor in great measure to many of the distressed and needy among the former pupils of the Schools.

PITTSBURGH REPRESENTATION.

Pardon us for saying that it has often been a matter of regret to us that Pittsburgh has been so slimly represented at the meetings of the Society in other parts of the State. If it had not been for the fact that the Society had to depend so often on the good and efficient services of Mr. A. U. Downing to interpret the proceedings, Pittsburgh would most likely have had no representation at all at number of the conventions. How strange this would seem! Without wishing to place the blame anywhere, we think that local pride, if nothing else, should stir you up to try for regular representation. This matter is more serious than it looks on the surface, or we should not give it space in this address.

REGULAR REPRESENTATION DESIRED.

We take this opportunity to impress upon every member of the Society the regular representation. Every city or county in the State, represented at the Annual Meetings. It is to their interest to do so. If the deaf of any place desire a voice in the Society, it is up to them to attend the meetings and exercise their rights. Failure to do so is liable to cause disappointment, indifference and loss of interest in the Society, and the peace of the Society becomes menaced thereby. It is hardly fair that those faithful members who sacrifice their time and money in the effort to keep up the

work of the Society should be made the subjects of unjust criticism by those who have not the time and opportunity to do so. We should aim to avoid such a state of things, and we ask your assistance to secure regular representation at future meetings of the Society. Article VII, Section 5, of the By-Laws forbids money "collected for the use of the Society" to be used to defray the expenses of any delegate to a Branch; but this should not deter a Branch from sending one or more representatives, inasmuch as the President and other officers of the Society pay their own traveling expenses. We believe this is the usual way in a corporate body that does not exist for profit, as in our case. If, among the membership of a Local Branch, no one is found who is willing to represent it at a convention because of the expense such representation entails, it is still open to the Branch to pay his expenses by money collected for that special object. What inducement has been made to members of the Local Branches to act as their representatives at conventions? None, we believe. We even doubt that the matter of sending delegates has been seriously considered by the Branches hitherto. Possibly, the Committee on Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws may be able to help solve this difficult problem.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE SOCIETY.

The report of the Board of Managers of the Society is printed and at your immediate convenience. We ask you to read it through carefully, for it tells all the story of the last Annual Meeting held at Shamokin, Pa. It seems unnecessary, therefore, that we should repeat here in detail the work of the Board, so we have contented ourselves with a summary of the matters to which your attention is most desired.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HOME.

The printed report of the Board of Trustees of the Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf at Doylestown, Pa., also deserves careful study by every member of the Society. To Salisbury this morning charity is the duty and one of the principal objects of the Society. A common notion among some is that the Board of Trustees is to provide the means and not the end. If the Society fails to do so; but mark you, this is an error. The Board is not charged with that responsibility.

DUTY OF THE SOCIETY TO MAINTAIN THE HOME.

The Home belongs to the Society—to you as members of the Society, and the Board looks to you to provide the funds for its maintenance. If we fail to do our duty, the Home may eventually pass out of our control, and then the greatest work of the Society has been lost to it. We cannot afford to let you wonder at the necessity to happen without a valiant struggle to retain it; but even then it behooves us to guard against such a thing as over-confidence.

UNREASONABLE OUTSIDE CRITICISM.

Some thoughtless persons have seen fit to criticize the work of the Society for lavish attention on the Home to the exclusion of other objects. Being a State affair, they take absolutely no interest in it and appear to think it should be relegated to a back place, and the Society devoted itself to the futile effort of staying educational progress, and help other pet schemes which they desire to advance. We put us in the ridiculous position of blandly exposing to jeopardy the best work of the Society, after all these years of patient and persevering labor and steady progress in laying its permanency. Our Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf is the proudest work of the Society, and it shall be our deepest concern to place it on a sound financial basis. It needs all the help we can possibly give it now, and we will have our critics know that there will be no letting up in this work until its success is assured.

FINANCES. THE MAINTENANCE FUND.

As both Secretary McIlvaine, of the Board of Trustees, and Secretary Ziegler, of the Board of Managers, have read the financial statements of the Home, and the Society, in their respective reports, we can say nothing new to what they have said. We ask, therefore, only call your attention to the fact that, unless the Society renews its efforts to raise funds for the maintenance of the Home, a deficit is certain to follow. Early action is necessary for the balance on hand cannot last very long. Here is the best proof of the fact that the deaf of this State are not lavishing too much effort to maintain the Home; let us go about our business without fear of outside criticism. Let us also warn you again that there is an all-too-common desire among the deaf of this State to devote all the accumulation of their labors to the growth of the Endowment Fund. That, in itself, is a good intention, but our first duty should be for the present to devote all the accumulation of their labors to the growth of the Endowment Fund. That, in itself, is a good intention, but our first duty should be for the present to devote all the accumulation of their labors to the growth of the Endowment Fund. That, in itself, is a good intention, but our first duty should be for the present to devote all the accumulation of their labors to the growth of the Endowment Fund.

A GENERAL LULL IN THE LOCAL BRANCHES.

We beg to remind you that there has been a couple years since a large work has been undertaken for the benefit of the Home. It could not be helped, perhaps. During the last two years a large portion of the deaf of Philadelphia have been engaged in the laudable work of raising money for a new church building and parish house, in which, we rejoice to say, they have been most successful. No doubt the deaf of Philadelphia and those in other sections of the State have also had to do with numerous claims upon their time and purses. There has been general lull in the work of the Society, but happily, no cessation of activities. No matter how meager the results were, we are thankful that something was done.

URGENT NEED OF AID FOR THE HOME.

We earnestly hope that you will be found willing to renew your efforts on behalf of the Home. The need for immediate action is most urgent now. The expenses of the receipts at present, which means that little is coming in. We ask that the convention give this matter its serious consideration. Boost the Home by word and deed among your friends; boost it in the Local Branches; boost it on the next Donation Day (October 8th, 1914), and boost it all the time. It has been suggested that the various Local Branches be requested and urged to try to get up as big an affair as is expedient in their several localities in aid of the Home. Let it be on the 14th of October, say, on Saturday, December 12th, 1914. The aggregate result from such united efforts would doubtless make a splendid showing, and a great credit would accrue to our Society. If the Board of Managers might request the deaf in localities where no branch exists to make similar efforts, and thus the aggregate sum might be considerably increased. We commend this suggestion as worthy of your consideration.

THE ENDOWMENT FUND.

We now turn to the Endowment Fund, which amounts to \$6,955.95, or almost \$7,000. It should be very encouraging and gratifying to know that this fund is growing all the time, slowly but surely. Who knows but that some day—and may God speed—the day—the fund may be doubled or trebled or quadrupled. The future is radiant with hope. It may be a little while, or it may be a longer while, but we cannot believe that the day will dawn when the Home will be placed on an enduring foundation, a realization that we are sure is devoutly wished for by you. And what a joyful day that will be to us all!

During the past year the Endowment Fund received only a small addition—\$196.28. Every member of the Society should know that the sum is too small to add to it. The next report will probably show an increase of several hundreds, for it may be news to many of you, that, by the will of Emma J.

Cameron, of Philadelphia, probated on July 11th, 1914, the sum of \$500.00 is left to the Home. Also, we have not abandoned hope of securing the bequest of \$500.00 from the estate of the late Mary H. Roach, of Philadelphia. Although the will has been contested before the Register of Wills for over a year, it is known that the estate is not opposed to the bequest to the Home. The case is now about to be decided by the Register; but it may be further delayed by court proceedings. It should be on a year or two for the Fund to grow to \$10,000, when it will yield an income of about \$500.00 a year, and that will go a long way in the prospects of the Home. The family is the prospect of additions to follow from time to time, and eventually the burden of its support need not lie so heavily upon the shoulders of the deaf and their friends.

STATE AID SHOULD BE THE LAST THING TO TRY FOR.

We are aware that there is an impatience among some of the members of the Society in bearing this burden longer. They would ask State aid for it. We hope, however, they will be able to wait with the necessary patience, until it becomes a reality. If we have been able to maintain the charity so long, why should we not wish to continue to do so, especially since the prospects for its ultimate independence are growing better every year. At any rate, State aid is the last thing we should try for, if we wish the Home to be as free from interference as it is now. It should be a pass out of our hands, it will very likely have to depend upon the bounty of the State for its upkeep, but let it be said to the credit of the fact that it was always maintained by the labors of their hands and with the help of friends.

SYSTEMATIC WORK A VERY DESIRABLE THING.

Now, it is far from true that we have exhausted our ways and means for the support of the Home. In his salutatory letter to the Society in connection with the annual report, last year, our esteemed friend and predecessor in office, the Rev. B. R. Allabough, of Cleveland, Ohio, asked the pointed question: "Have you any systematic work in the Society?" He has been able to maintain the work; but no result came of that. The Society may have largely of the spasmodic kind. We must admit that, while much may be done in this way, a great deal more might be done in a more systematic work. It is not too late to try for it. We have no plan to offer here, and we leave it to you to make up your mind. Thorough consideration of the matter will be able to ask the Board of Managers to see what can be done in the matter.

DELEGATE'S REPORT.

The report of our delegate to the Triennial Convention of the National Association of the Deaf held at Cleveland, Ohio, in August, 1913, was read by our friend and predecessor in office, the Rev. F. C. Smielan, was sent at the personal invitation of a member of the committee on Resolutions. It was a general invitation of the National Association to State Associations to send delegates, and was properly accredited and was a most interesting report. He did not address the convention, owing to the failure to provide a place on the program for speeches from such delegates. He, however, was able to give some service to the Convention, and the brief report of his impressions of it is quite interesting.

FISCAL YEAR.

In order to facilitate the work of the Board of Managers in preparing its annual report, it is better that the fiscal year of all the Local Branches begin at the same time on the 1st of January of each year. In this way it may not only be possible to give a complete report, but also to make a better comparison of the work of the Branches and the Branches will then be able to give a complete report. The Society should change its fiscal year to the 1st of January of each year. This simply means to move the date of the fiscal year of the Society and its Branches one month, so it will not be hard to comply with.

PROGRESS OF CHURCH WORK.

Although the Society is entirely non-sectarian in character, it does not mean to indifference the progress made in Church work by the deaf of any denomination. Such progress is but additional evidence of the fact that the deaf are not only members of the Society, as a body, but also directly contribute to it, it may feel a common interest and pride in the success of any good work of the deaf. The deaf of this State are not only members of the Society, as a body, but also directly contribute to it, it may feel a common interest and pride in the success of any good work of the deaf. The deaf of this State are not only members of the Society, as a body, but also directly contribute to it, it may feel a common interest and pride in the success of any good work of the deaf.

In 1888 these people fitted up for their own use an old church building under the name of the "Home of the Deaf and Dumb," the Rev. Henry Winter-Syle, M.A., of blessed memory, and a former President of this Society, is due the credit for making this humble beginning, rather than wait until enough funds had accumulated to build an entirely new church. The beloved pastor lived but a short while after accomplishing this work. But the work, so well begun, has since that time been carried on and persevering work followed, which culminated, on December 30th, 1913, in the consecration of a new

ful to those persons who are members of our Society, who have lent a helping hand faithfully to make our Branch show up well. We come to this convention and stay through till it adjourns, and then return to our homes with the firm determination to do more for the Society and the home in the future. Remember this old motto, "In union there is strength."

Mr. Chas. M. Pennell, Treasurer of the Philadelphia Local Branch, gave a synopsis of the annual report of the local branch. Next Mr. Chas. L. Clark represented the Scranton Local Branch, by saying that the Branch would raise \$300 for the Home.

The Secretary then read the greetings from Mr. and Mr. G. T. Sanders, of Philadelphia, Washington, of Philadelphia, and Miss T. W. Schoenenberger, of Ashland.

The President announced the appointment of the Committee on Nominations: J. M. Rolshouse, of Pittsburgh, Chairman; R. M. Ziegler, of Philadelphia; W. McKinney, of Philadelphia; Miss Caroline Finley, of New Castle; Michael Weidman, of York.

Mr. Emsbrow Bernsdorff, of Washington, D. C., suggested that one or more of the Society's young members be insured at its expense, insurance to go to the Home at Doylestown when it expires.

Mr. Rolshouse moved to refer the suggestion to the Committee on Resolutions. Carried.

Mr. Teegarden suggested that the Charter and By-Laws of the Society be amended so that its Society might meet biennially, instead of annually as it does at present.

Mr. R. M. Ziegler, D. A. L. E. Crouter, Dr. Burt, and Mr. Bernsdorff, discussed the suggestion.

Rev. Mr. Smielau moved to refer the suggestion to the Board of Managers. Passed.

No further business being transacted, Mr. Rolshouse was allowed to read a paper on "National Fraternal Society of the Deaf," written by Mr. W. L. Davis, of Philadelphia.

Rev. Mr. Smielau read a copy of the Ohio law in regard to admitting inmates from the various infirmaries to the Ohio Home for Deaf-Mutes, and thought that the Society might petition the Legislature to pass a similar law in Pennsylvania. Dr. Crouter and Rev. Mr. Allabough took part in the discussion of the question, which was, on motion of Mr. Teegarden, referred to the Board of Managers.

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 A.M.

Friday afternoon was devoted to sight-seeing in the city of Pittsburgh.

Friday evening, Superintendent and Mrs. Burt entertained the delegation and their friends with a reception. It proved a most pleasing affair and the large attendance enjoyed it to the utmost. The spacious halls and reception rooms were taxed to their full capacity, and for an hour or so many groups of those who wished to show their respects to the host and hostess of the evening, passed through the library to be presented to the receiving line. Dr. and Mrs. Burt were assisted by Supt. McAloney, of the Institution for the Blind in Pittsburgh, and his wife, President Reider, and Revs. Mr. Smielau and Mr. Allabough.

After all had paid their respects to ladies and gentlemen in line, the crowd was quietly formed and a Grand March was started by the Reception Committee, which headed the same, to the large girls' sitting room, and called it to order, with Dr. and Mrs. Burt at the angle of interest.

Rev. Mr. Smielau then mounted a chair, and after an initial speech, in which he gravely assured the surprised doctor he very much needed something to remind him, each hour and minute of the day, of his numerous deaf friends with an up-to-date clock in a rose-wood case from the deaf of Pennsylvania, and some from Ohio and West Virginia, as a token of their regard, and as a reminder it had that week reached the twenty-fifth anniversary of his incumbency as superintendent of the school over which he presides.

A fine cut-glass vase, containing a bunch of tea roses, was then presented to Mrs. Burt, amid a storm of applause.

Dr. and Mrs. Burt then, in turn, mounted the chair and, though considerably taken aback, managed to express their appreciation of the gifts from their friends.

The line then marched into the large dining room, where they were seated in groups and along the walls until every corner was occupied, and served with dainty sandwiches, ice-cream and coffee, and all the lemonade they could drink. Over three hundred were thus served, and all pronounced it a most pleasant affair. Owing to the rain, home-going was delayed long into the night, but all were happy just the same.

The Committee on Nominations, through Mr. Rolshouse, reported the following ticket for the ensuing three years:

Messrs. John A. Roach, of Philadelphia and F. A. Leitner of Pittsburgh, to succeed themselves as manager; Mr. Chas. L. Clark, of Scranton, and Mr. G. M. Teegarden to succeed Mr. W. K. Clayton, of Ashland, and Mr. R. M. Barker, of Johnstown, respectively, as managers.

On motion the Secretary cast the ballots for the above ticket, and they were declared elected.

The Committee on Resolutions, through Rev. Mr. Smielau, Chairman, presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted, with the exceptions that the Resolution No. 6 received only two dissenting votes:

1. The Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf in convention assembled at Pittsburgh, Pa., August 26th, 1914, deeply deprecates the turbulent conditions in the "Old World" at the present time, and desires to place upon record its deep sympathy for all the people of the warring nations, and especially for those people who are afflicted like ourselves and have no part in the war.
2. Considering that the financial support of the Home at Doylestown has fallen off to such an extent that a deficit is threatened; therefore, be it
- Resolved, That the Board of Managers be hereby empowered to make such plans as will insure more sufficient and regular support for the Home.
3. Resolved, That the Board of Managers be requested to make arrangements with all the Local Branches of the Society to hold bazars for the benefit of the Home, on or about December 12th, 1914.
4. Resolved, That we approve the changes in the By-Laws as suggested by R. M. Ziegler, Secretary, in his report, in regard to the time for the Annual fiscal Report of the Board of Managers, Board of Trustees, and Local Branches, and recommend that the Committee on Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws make the specified changes.
5. Resolved, That we authorize the President of the Society to appoint a Committee of five, from different sections of the State to raise a Special Fund to commemorate the 35th Anniversary of the Society in 1916, and report from time to time to the President.
6. Resolved, That we recognize the importance of equal representation at the regular meetings of the Society, and therefore recommend to the Board of Managers to direct each Local Branch to send a delegate to each convention at the expense of the Branch, if necessary. Such expense shall be defrayed from funds collected for this special purpose.
7. Resolved, That realizing the importance and necessity of increasing the funds of the Society for the direct benefit of the Home, we hereby authorize the Board of Managers, at the expense of the Society, to place endowment life insurance upon one or more of its younger members, said insurance to be paid to the Society upon the expiration of the policy or policies.
8. Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be tendered to the Board of Trustees, Superintendent and Mrs. Burt, and the Messrs. Miss Clements, of the Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf, for the generous hospitality shown us in placing the school at our disposal, and the accommodations and conveniences which we thoroughly enjoyed and appreciate.
9. Resolved, That we express our thanks and appreciation to Dr. and Mrs. Burt for most enjoyable reception tendered us, on the evening of August 28th, 1914, and for the privilege of having them with us during this, the 25th anniversary of Dr. Burt's superintendency of the Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf.
10. Resolved, That we express our appreciation and thanks to Dr. A. L. E. Crouter, Supt. of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, at Mount Airy, for his attendance at our meetings, his unflinching kindness to us, for the many years of valuable service and wise counsel which he has rendered the Society.
11. Resolved, That we appreciate most heartily the very generous and willing aid rendered the Society by the Ladies' Committee of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Philadelphia, who have contributed to the full support of three inmates of the Home, and have, besides, given their time and earnest endeavors in other helpful ways.
- Resolved, That we give a special vote of thanks to said Ladies' Committee, and the Secretary be instructed to notify the Committee of the same.
12. Resolved, That our thanks are due the H. J. Heinz Company, at whose immense plant, under capable and courteous guides, we were privileged to see for ourselves the clean, sanitary methods employed in the preparation of the 57 "varieties."
13. Resolved, That a vote of thanks be given to the Local Committee of Arrangements for the pleasant and profitable meeting we have had in Pittsburgh.
14. Resolved, That we tender our thanks to Messrs. A. U. Downing and L. Robert, who have kindly served the Society in the capacity of interpreters at this convention.

The Convention took a recess of fifteen minutes, during which the Board of Managers retired to an adjoining room and organized by the election of:

James S. Reider, President.
G. M. Teegarden, First Vice-President.
Rev. F. O. Smielau, Second Vice-President.
R. M. Ziegler, Secretary.
John A. Roach, Treasurer.

The Board decided upon Gettysburg as the next place of meeting, and authorized an appropriation of ten dollars to be presented to Mr. A. U. Downing, with a request that he purchase something with it as a testimonial from the Society in recognition of his kind services as interpreter for many years.

The Convention then met again and the Board made its report through Secretary Ziegler. It was well received. Rev. Mr. Smielau made the presentation address, and Mr. Downing was very much surprised, but appreciated it very much.

Miss Euna S. Boyd declaimed in

signs the following poem on "This Life," written by G. M. Teegarden:

THIS LIFE.

We're born into this "vale of tears"
By no free will of ours,
And then the circumstance of years
Mortgage our mortal hours;
And so we grow to love or hate
The life to which we cling—
'Tis all the mystery of fate,
We grieve or that we sing.

We're brought into this changing world
With no permit to choose;
Into life's vortex all are hurled,
Without a will to use,
All bound to nature's only plan,
To live, to grow, and die,
And all within a prescribed plan,
The whole world, you and I.

And yet, we're architects of fate—
We dream, we plan, we build,
So if our path of life is steep,
And sweetness often spilled,
We have but ourselves to blame
And Nature's justified,
For though we never light the flame,
We're captains charged to guide.

President Reider was very much surprised to receive a purse of money from members of the Society and friends, in recognition of his useful services as President of the Society, for the past several years. Dr. Rolshouse made the presentation address, in which he requested the President to buy a gold watch with the money, if an agreeable to him. Great applause.

President Reider succeeded in acknowledging the kind testimonial and thanking all for it.

He then made the following closing address:

"This has been a very profitable meeting, and I hope that you have also enjoyed it. I congratulate you on the excellent harmony that has prevailed throughout it. I am deeply grateful for the earnest attention you have given to the business at the sessions. It has enabled us to do a large amount of good work, for which we should be thankful.

We can not close this convention without also thanking Dr. Burt for his generous association in our work here and for the many courtesies he has shown to us during our stay here.

Let me express my deep sense of gratitude to you all for the very kind and considerate treatment you have shown me. I feel that I have received more than my share of your good will, and I am sure that it will make a lasting impression upon me. I shall leave Pittsburgh reluctantly, after all this goodness to me. Thanking you again, I now declare the convention adjourned *sine die*."

Dr. Burt closed the meeting with prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 P.M.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

A trolley ride to Kenneywood Park—Picnic at the Park, all enjoyed themselves immensely.

PHILADELPHIA.

News items for this column should be sent to James S. Reider, 1838 North Drove Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

On Thursday evening, September 10th, the Cleric Literary Association will hold its quarterly business meeting.

The reorganization of All Souls' Bible Classes will take place on Sunday, September 13th.

Mr. P. F. Bengsch, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. Cullingworth, of Newark, N. J., were among All Souls' Sunday visitors.

Mrs. John D. Ziegler is suffering from weak spells caused by the shock from her husband's violent death.

Mrs. Viola King spent three weeks with her sister in Baltimore, Md. She also visited Washington, D. C., and Falls Church, Va., returning last Friday. Her daughter, Dorothy, will stay with her aunt in Baltimore.

Messrs. McKinney and Reider returned from Pittsburgh on Sunday midnight.

Mrs. John O'Rourke is reported to be seriously ill.

Mrs. J. S. Rodgers is improving so well that she may be out soon.

Mrs. George T. Sanders has been quite sick during the summer, principally from nervous prostration, but has almost recovered. She has been at different places in Pennsylvania in the quest for health and strength, among which were Allentown, Easton, and Stroudsburg.

Miss Helena L. Bowden returned home after spending a few days with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Smielau, in Allentown, and a week with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Whildin, at their camp in Round Bay, Maryland.

The Philadelphia Local Branch will hold its monthly meeting at All Souls' Parish House next Sunday evening, September 10th. An account of the convention and vacation stories will be given by several persons. A silver offering will be asked.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Newman and family have returned to Baltimore, after spending the summer at Atlantic City, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sweeney and their child, Marie, returned to Bridgeport from Walnut Beach, Millford, Ct., on Labor Day. They had been there all summer.

MISSISSIPPI.

August 11, 1914.—A most successful convention of the Mississippi Association of the Deaf, was held in the Mississippi School, at Jackson, August 11th to 14th, and a very representative and distinguished attendance, together with the best programme ever rendered in the history of the Association, made the gathering worth attending and a most memorable one.

The first day of the convention, August 11th, was devoted to assembling, registration, and getting acquainted. The Jackson Social Committee, under the direction of Chairman S. W. Harris, was on the job all the time, and saw to meeting the visitors at the trains, and to their registration, etc.

The first program of the Mississippi Convention started Tuesday evening, August 11th, at 8 o'clock, before a large assembly of both deaf and hearing, when President Percy B. Jones, of Corinth, called on Rev. H. Lorraine Tracy, the well known deaf Episcopal minister from Baton Rouge, La., to invoke divine blessing. Then the chair introduced His Excellency, Governor Earl Brewer, of Mississippi, who welcomed the deaf citizens in a dignified yet pleasing manner, in behalf of the State of Mississippi. The Governor has always had a tender place in his heart for the Institution, and counts among his personal friends and supporters many deaf citizens, with whom he takes great delight in conversing and give and take jokes.

His Honor, Mayor Swep J. Taylor, of Jackson, was next introduced and made a most eloquent address, handing the key of the beautiful Southern city to the visitors. He made a hit with the audience when he said if any of his policemen pinch any visitor by mistake, he only has to call on the Mayor's office and make a sign or so, then he (Mr. Taylor) would do the rest.

Hon. W. H. Watkins, President of the Institution Board of Trustees, was injured by an auto accident and was unable to be present to welcome the visitors in behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. J. R. Dobyns, Superintendent of the Mississippi School, in a happy vein, welcomed the visitors in behalf of the institution, and jocularly assured them that the instruments of corporal punishment have been stored away for the convention.

The last, but not the least, welcome address was made by Chairman S. W. Harris of the Jackson Social Committee. An appropriate response in behalf of the Association was rendered by President Jones.

A beautiful poem, "Mississippi," was recited by Miss Lilly A. Gwin, a charming young lady of Eupora, now a Sophomore at Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C.

The following committees were appointed by the chair:

Resolutions—Miss Lilly A. Gwin, Eupora, (Chairman), R. S. Majure, Dixon, and N. E. Harris, Memphis, Tenn.

Enrollment—H. H. Matzner, Meridian (Chairman), Miss Eliza Grantham, McComb, and

Auditing—C. H. Cobb, Decatur (Chairman), Mrs. C. R. Delbridge, Oxford, and Miss Mattie Henderson, Little Rock, Ark.

Following the benediction by Rev. J. W. Michaels, Baptist Missionary to the Deaf, Fort Smith, Ark., a reception was held in the rotunda, library and museum, and a most happy time was had by all present, both deaf and hearing alike. Delicious fruit punch was served by Misses Hattie Deem and Gladys Williams.

A most interesting incident of the reception was the presence of Governor Brewer's two lovely little daughters who mingled, played and laughed with the children of deaf parents. So called Eugenic scientists (?) will please take notice of this fact.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12TH.

At nine A. M. President Jones called the assembly to order and asked Rev. Tracy to render invocation. Greetings from absentees, etc., were read by the Secretary. Address by the president followed, when Mr. Jones asked Vice-President Mrs. Lucy Wilson to take the chair. The message was listened with closest attention, and it was remarkable for its wonderful brevity without any loss of comprehensiveness. The speaker outlined the work done by the administration and made several strong recommendations, among them a department of agriculture in the Mississippi School and a plea for co-operation with the National Association of the Deaf.

Two other interesting addresses of the morning session were "The Greater National Association of the Deaf," by Mr. I. W. Harris, member from the Middle South of the National Association of the Deaf Executive Committee, and "Trades for Deaf Girls" by Miss Mattie Henderson, Instructor at the Arkansas School for the Deaf, Little Rock.

At the afternoon session Mr. M. J. Kestner, Secretary of the New Orleans Division, No. 33, N. F. S. D., and the most splendid type of deaf gentleman and Gallaudet graduate, eloquently spoke of the work and aims of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, a

fraternal insurance organization which holds second rank, the Woodmen of the World being first, according to a high Illinois insurance actuary.

Miss Lilly A. Gwin spoke interestingly on "Social Life of the Deaf," Mr. R. O. Majure on "The Mississippi State Fair Exhibit by the Mississippi Deaf," and Miss Vera Gibert on "Hobbies."

Discussions followed the addresses of Mr. Kestner and Miss Gwin.

Mr. Duncan A. Cameron, the well-known deaf authority on certain agricultural lines was unable to address on "Agricultural Opportunities of the Deaf in the South," as he and his charming family had removed from Mississippi to Nebraska.

Miss Vallie Everett, one of the "sweet girl graduates" of the Class of 1914, at the Mississippi School, declaimed beautifully and pathetically "O Captain! My Captain!" leaving scarcely a dry eye in the audience.

On motion of Mr. N. E. Harris, a committee of three to solicit contributions and make arrangements for a memorial picture of the late beloved Professor Charles S. Deem, M. A., was appointed by President Jones. N. E. Harris (Chairman), F. P. Armstrong and Miss Nannie Segrest were named to serve on that Committee. Adjournment until Friday morning, August 14th, ensued.

The evening of Wednesday, August 12th, was devoted to divine services, conducted by Rev. J. W. Michaels, his text being "Where is the Lord God of Elijah?" and the topic "Elijah's God and God's Elijah."

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13TH.

A picnic and various games at the beautiful Livingston Park were on the program, but Jupiter Pluvius interfered with the plan. However, a most pleasant social morning was spent in the parlors, alcoves, rotunda, library and museum, yea, "cozy nooks and corners" of this magnificent institution. At noon a most delightful buffet lunch in the dining room followed by watermelon cutting in the girls' courtyard, was served by the Jackson Local Committee. At lunch Chairman Harris of the Local Committee extended a cordial invitation from Manager H. D. Bowers of the New Majestic Theatre for the convention to attend the afternoon picture show, which the visitors enjoyed to the utmost. Not to be outdone by his rival across the street, the Manager of the Gem Theatre went to Mr. E. D. Peters, Secretary of the Jackson Local Committee, at the door of the New Majestic, and invited the convention to the Gem Theatre at the conclusion of the New Majestic program. Quite a number of visitors went sight-seeing on that day.

In the evening the National Association of the Deaf moving picture films were shown in the school chapel by Chairman Harris and Secretary Peters of the Jackson Local Committee, assisted by N. L. Hutchison, Jr., a rising young deaf moving picture operator of Crystal Springs. The pictures were greatly enjoyed by the visitors and evidently made a deep impression on them.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH.

After calling the convention to order, President Jones requested J. R. Dobyns to invoke the divine guidance. Them Dr. Dobyns took occasion to express the Board of Trustees and his pleasure to have the institution at the disposal of the convention at actual cost, and assured the audience that if Jackson is again selected as the next convention city, the institution could be used again as the convention headquarters.

Reading of minutes was dispensed with on Mr. Armstrong's motion, as printed proceedings of the last convention were already distributed.

Chairman Matzner of the Enrollment Committee made a report from that committee.

A long set of resolutions was read by Miss Lilly Gwin, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, and accepted by the Association. The Resolutions were:

Thanks of the Mississippi Association to the Board of Trustees and to the Superintendent Dobyns for the use of the institution as convention headquarters.

Thanks to the Jackson Local Committee, S. W. Harris, Chairman; Mrs. C. S. Deem, Vice-Chairman; E. V. Peters, Secretary; Alfred Kearny, Treasurer; Mesdames Alfred Kearny and E. N. Peters, and Misses Belle Hoover and Eleanor Williams, for preparing a most admirable program and making excellent arrangements for the convention.

Appreciation of addresses of welcome by Governor Brewer, Mayor Taylor, Superintendent Dobyns and Chairman Harris.

Resolution urging a Department of Agriculture conducted by an expert in the Mississippi School.

Thanks to *The Mississippi Voice* for its free office as an association organ and many courtesies extended.

Resolution endorsing the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf.

Resolutions approving and endorsing the far-reaching work and aims of the National Association of the Deaf.

Resolution condemning parents' interference with the deaf children's education by taking them out of school, particularly in early spring time.

Resolution urging all deaf children to stick to school until their graduation.

Thanks to the *Jackson Daily News* and the *Daily Clarion-Ledger* for their able and comprehensive accounts of the convention.

Thanks to the managements of the New Majestic and Gem Theaters for their invitations and entertainments.

Chairman Kearny, of Committee on Necrology, submitted resolutions of respects and sympathy on the death of Mr. Arthur Morse, a former Mississippi pupil, at a Louisville, Ky., Hospital.

Chairman Jones called on Secretary Harris to read the Executive Committee report, and same was approved by the Association.

In absence of Treasurer, Mrs. Lucy Allen Snook, Cedar Spring, S. C., Acting Treasurer Matzner, read the financial statement of the Association. The report was audited by the Auditing Committee, C. H. Cobb, Chairman, and same was accepted by the Association.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

For President, R. Omer Majure defeated N. E. Harris. For Vice-President, Mrs. Lizzie Bell Delbridge led Mrs. John Decell.

S. W. Harris was re-elected Secretary without opposition, over his protest. He wanted to withdraw his name, but the convention rose *en masse* and made him accept the unanimous choice.

For Treasurer, C. H. Cobb was elected over Mrs. Decell.

Hugo Matzner and Lester Benson tied for Sergeant-at-Arms, and the former withdrew his name, leaving the place to Mr. Benson.

Percy B. Jones was chosen member-at-large of the Executive Committee, over P. P. Armstrong and N. L. Hutchison.

Jackson was selected by the new Executive Committee as the next convention city, and same was emphatically approved by the convention with only three dissenting votes.

On invitation, Rev. Tracy, Mr. Kestner and President L. C. Fuchen, of the Memphis Division, No. 38, N. F. S. D., made short talks.

At 12:15 P. M. the convention adjourned *sine die*, after Misses Elizabeth Grantham, Nannie Segrest and Eleanor Williams, three recent graduates of the Mississippi School, signed beautifully the hymn "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

K. K. K.

NEW YORK.

News items for this column, should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.

A few words of information in a letter or on a postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

Mr. Samuel Michaels, a former pupil of the Lexington Avenue School, has opened a custom tailor shop, for ladies and gents cleaning, pressing, repairing, dyeing, etc. He has had seven years experience in that line, and so has now established a store at 255 Henry Street, New York City. We hope he may succeed in his future business. He will try to serve the deaf as well as hearing people the best he can.

Tuesday evening, September 15th, will see a resumption of activities of the Hebrew Congregation of the Deaf, in the form of a large business meeting, which will be held at the Y. M. H. A. Building Auditorium, Lexington Avenue, corner 92d Street. Members will please take notice and attend *en masse*, as business of considerable importance will be transacted.

During the past several weeks many inquiries have been made of the whereabouts of Prof. W. G. Jones. No, he is not in Europe, stranded with other Americans, that can't get back to dear New York, but has been enjoying the cool ocean breeze throughout the summer in his Bungalow at Point o' Woods.

Henry C. Kohlman and Samuel Frankenstein accompanied Dr. Fox to the Portsmouth, N. H. Convention, leaving last Saturday on the Bunker Hill, the palatial steamer of the Fall River Line. They will be home again this week.

Mrs. Moses W. Loew and her daughters returned home after their two months stay at Brighton Beach. They are the pictures of good health and also tanned like cherries.

A fine and lusty baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. Solomon, on Monday, August 24th, weighing eleven pounds. Both are doing fine.

Edward Gilboe, of Albany, came to town on September 6th, and under the guidance of his friend, Joshua Levy, took in the sights at Coney Island on Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix A. Simonson have removed to new apartments on West End Avenue.

OHIO.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 993 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.]

September 5th, 1914.—There was something doing in the Greener home this week—the wedding of their youngest daughter, Nellie Davies, Tuesday evening. The evening previous, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Greener entertained with a dinner party in honor of their daughter. Covers were laid for sixteen. Those present were the families of the bride and bridegroom to be, and the bridesmaid and a couple of friends.

We give the *Evening Dispatch's* account of the wedding:

The wedding of Miss Nellie Greener and Mr. Walter Kridler, solemnized Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock in the presence of 60 close friends and relatives, was one of beautiful and unique appointments. The service was at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Greener, 993 Franklin Avenue, and the officiating minister was Rev. Dr. S. S. Palmer of the Broad Street Presbyterian church.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was gowned in white charmeuse, the costume being made with basque and train, and trimmed with imported lace. The tulle veil was fastened to the coiffure with orange blossoms. Mrs. Kridler carried bride's roses in the old period style bouquet, in a silver flower holder, which was used at Queen Victoria's wedding. The groom's gift was a lavalliere of diamonds and pearls.

The maid of honor, Miss Bertha Gress, wore pink charmeuse and carried Killarney roses. Mr. Paul Kridler acted as best man. The little flower bearers, Misses Mary and Martha Sherman, twin nieces of the bride, wore white with yellow ribbons and carried white baskets filled with yellow roses.

The occasion was enhanced by the singing of Mr. Cecil Fanning. Miss Lela Cones played the wedding marches.

The color scheme was yellow and white, yellow chrysanthemums, snap dragons and calendulas being used with white asters and laurel. The parlors were lit up with Italian flowers garlands. In the dining room Della Robbia wreaths and garlands of colored fruits were used. The house was lighted throughout with cathedral tapers in Russian brass candlesticks.

After a Northern wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Kridler will be at home at the Loiston, Toledo. The bride has been much feted with pre-nuptial parties. Mr. Kridler's former home was in Fremont. His mother, Mrs. Martha Kridler, still lives there.

Friends here have received the following: "Mr. and Mrs. Nelson I. Snyder announce the marriage of their daughter, Carolyn Holland, to Mr. William Homer Frame, on Thursday, the third of September, nineteen hundred and fourteen, West Alexandria, O. At home after September 15th."

This was State Fair week for Ohio, and as usual Columbus was overcrowded with the ruralites and outsiders. There were a few deaf visitors, among them Mr. and Mrs. Hines, James Naylor, Wm. Morehouse, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Goetz and Warren Schaffer.

Leslie F. Oren, deaf and blind, wants to enter Ohio State university but cannot, because his friends have so far been unable to secure the services of an interpreter. If a suitable interpreter can be secured within the next few weeks, Leslie Oren will enter the university and take a full course.

The Leslie F. Oren Educational society, which was formed for the purpose of sending the lad through school, is looking around for a suitable person to act as interpreter. A satisfactory salary will be paid such person if he can be secured.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Goetz came down from Wapakoneta last Sunday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tassing, of Canal Winchester, for a few days, and then came over to Columbus to take in the fair. They will remain in the city till after Labor Day, Monday.

Mrs. John Schild, of Canton, aged 47, died Saturday morning last, at Ingleside Hospital, of Bright's disease. She had been sick for some time. Her maiden name was Isabelle Anderson. She was a pupil of the school here in the eighties, and was then noted for her beauty and refined disposition. Several years after leaving school she was married to Mr. John Schild, who also was educated here. There are no living children of the union, and the only relative she leaves behind is a sister, living in Los Angeles, Cal. She was born in Canton, O., and that city has been her home all her life. She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and the rector, Rev. A. W. Higby, conducted the funeral service at her late home Tuesday afternoon.

Wm. Morehouse, a graduate of last June, after a visit to Lima, has again been employed to help with the painting.

Jacob Vogelhund has been given a position in the kitchen department of the school. A. B. G.

CALIFORNIA.



Why do we have expositions at all? We have expositions because we know we need closer contact with other people, other nations, other ideas; we do it because we know we must keep on moving ahead and improving ourselves and our surroundings, or else we die of dry-rot. The decade which has elapsed since the St. Louis Exposition has been one of the most eventful in the annals of industry, invention and the various arts. There are many achievements, which of themselves, are almost as worthy of the honor as that magnificent exploit which the Exposition is to celebrate. New crafts have arisen, and the old have been carried to a perfection undreamed of. Especially marked has been the revolution in farming methods, and there is every reason why no farmer who wants to be progressive should miss the agricultural exhibits at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. Special attention will be given to appliances and methods, which will be classified as follows:

Group 118.—Appliances and Methods used in Agricultural Industries. Class 567—Types of agricultural factories connected with farming, dairies, creameries, cheese factories, etc.

Class 568—Oil Mills, margarine factories, grain elevators and appliances.

Class 569—Workshops for the preparation of textile fabrics.

Class 540—Equipment for the breeding of birds and for the artificial hatching, raising, or fattening of poultry, poultry foods, methods of and appliances for packing and transporting.

Class 571—Market gardening. Buildings and appliances for growing, gathering, packing and marketing vegetables. Process and equipment employed in the forced culture of vegetables and plants, with specimens of products.

The Department of Live Stock will offer the largest competitive display ever held in the world, and the prize will be proportionately magnificent, \$175,000 has been set aside by the Exposition for cash awards, and different States have added \$200,000 more, and \$75,000 from breeding associations makes the total \$450,000. It has been estimated that three miles of ribbon will be required to provide award badges for the pedigree horses, cattle, chickens, dogs and cats which will compete.

This class of exhibits is going to be of special interest to the deaf of California. While up around San Francisco and down in Los Angeles the deaf are crowded into the city, the deaf in this part of the State live largely on country places where they enjoy the thousand and one luxuries denied the city-dweller, or are employed out on farms or ranches. Porterville has quite a community of deaf farmers who have every reason to be proud of themselves. Dr. L. A. Palmer, for one, owns and manages a fine 19-acre place three miles from town. He keeps some cows with 7 acres of alfalfa, and raises poultry and vegetables on a large scale for marketing purposes. Mr. Palmer is the deaf pioneer of the town and is quite an authority on matters pertaining to farming and to the deaf in his part of the valley.

There are others equally worthy of mention. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Mann, of Tennessee, live on 13 acres, a mile and a half out of town, where they have a fine up-to-date house, 5 acres are in Elberta peaches, and the rest is devoted to stock.

Mr. Arnold Bailford is taking up farming in earnest. He is a newly naturalized citizen, having come direct from Switzerland where he was educated in oral schools, and is dividing his time to learning the ways of the American deaf, and to his two and one-half acres. He has built himself a comfortable house and has started a peach orchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Benedict, of Iowa, are located on forty acres which they own, five miles from town. Their land is in hay and grain and includes a fine family orchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Odel Martin, of Kansas, live eight miles from town, where Mr. Martin superintends a large orange grove for a wealthy grower. They have deaf brothers and sisters in Porterville, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin and Miss Lizzie Martin. The Cummings occupy the old Martin homestead and run the place for their aged father. Mr. and Mrs. Martin have rented ten acres given over to oranges and alfalfa. The hospitality of this popular couple has made their place the scene of many a pleasant gathering of the deaf of that locality. Mr. Martin has just purchased a fine team of horses which is the

envy of the community. Mrs. Martin is at present in Kansas visiting her parents.

Mr. Sam Waters, of Kansas, has proved himself a very efficient hired man on an immense orange-grove two miles from Porterville.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ray, the latest Eastern arrivals, from Kentucky, are making one acre go quite a long way for their family of five children. Mr. Ray is employed as a ranch hand on several ranches, where he is studying the business before he starts out on a larger scale.

There are 160 acres up in the mountains some miles from Porterville, owned by Mr. James McEvoy, who has leased them for cattle grazing. Mr. McEvoy is now up in Idaho, near the Canadian line, with Mr. Theo Helstrom, studying the possibilities of cattle raising up there. Late reports are that they are finding conditions up there far inferior to Central California, and that they are coming back to Porterville.

There are a number of others in Porterville and in other parts of the San Joaquin Valley, but space is lacking. These others will be given the mention they deserve in another issue.

WILDEY MITCHELL,
Member Local Publicity Com. N. A. D.

An Open Letter.

August 31, 1914.

To the Educators of the Deaf in the United States and Canada:

My dear Friends:—I have tendered my resignation as Superintendent of the Mississippi Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, to take effect September 1st, 1914, and the same has been accepted by the Governor, who has the power to appoint. I cannot express to you how I feel in thus separating myself from the work which I have so long enjoyed and from friends who have been so congenial and sympathetic. To each I tender my sincere thanks for courtesies and kindness.

Forty years ago to-day in the Missouri Institute, I look my first lesson in training for teaching the deaf from the beloved and distinguished Dr. Wm. D. Kerr, who founded, and for fifty years superintended, that school. Thirty-three years ago I assumed charge of the Mississippi Institute. During these years I have been tempted by flattering offers to leave Mississippi and try my fortunes in other fields. Somehow I felt that my work here was not complete and declined those offers which, from some points of view, were exceedingly inviting. During all this time my work has been approved and commended by each succeeding Board of Trustees, Governor and Legislature, and I have given to the State of Mississippi and her deaf children my very life blood.

My church thinks I have served the State long enough and has called me up higher by electing me to the presidency of one of her great educational institutions, the Presbyterian University at Clarksville, Tennessee, which is owned by the Synods of Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama. I think I can take up that great work in that broader field on September first, next, with as much enthusiasm and energy as I took up the work here March first, 1881.

I am glad that I had the privilege of visiting schools for the deaf in this great country, and shall always carry in my memory the pleasant recollections of those comfortable and commodious homes and the faces of the thousands of consecrated Christian co-workers whom I have met and known and loved.

I trust that all of you may follow me with your sympathy and prayers that I may be used of God to do a great work in the new field to which He has called me.

My son, Richmond S. Dobyns, who was raised in this Institute and who is well fitted for the great responsibilities of the office, succeeds me, and I feel that the interests of the deaf children of the State are in competent, safe and tender hands. I bespeak for him your cordial sympathy and interest which have been so helpful and inspiring to me.

Invoking God's blessing upon the deaf everywhere and upon every one being used for their promotion and welfare, and bidding all an affectionate farewell, I am,

Sincerely and truly your friend,
J. R. DOBYNS, Superintendent.
P. S. Address after October 1, 1914, University, Clarksville, Tenn.
J. R. D.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE

Baptist Evangelist to the Deaf in the Southern States, Illinois and Indiana.

J. W. MICHAELS, MINISTER IN CHARGE.

Services for the Deaf of all Denominations. Will answer all calls. Address all mail to Box 90, FORT SMITH, ARK.

Lutheran Mission

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church for the deaf. Services in the sign language in the church, 426 Broome Street, every Sunday at 3 P.M.

ARTHUR BOLL, Pastor.

The Prevalence of Deafness

Deafness is far more common than one would imagine. One out of every three grown-up persons suffers from ear disease. Deafness is, if possible, a worse affliction than blindness. The blind have to bear their own infirmity, but the deaf know that their affliction causes great inconvenience to others besides themselves, and in addition most deaf people are continually suffering from noises in the head, sometimes so severe as to prevent sleep. Noises in the head may be due to many causes, such as a piece of wax lying on the membrane closure of the eustachian tube, internal ear disease, and so on. The noises are compared to many things, a noise of a sea shell variety being perhaps the most common, but the noise of sledge hammers delivering heavy blows, the clanging of machinery, the puffing of locomotives, the buzzing of bees, the whistling of birds, are also met with. One old Irish lady used to say she felt as if all the tea kettles in Ireland were singing together in her head. Less frequently musical tones are heard. These, however, as a rule, are not played harmoniously, but with a jangling discord of a particularly disagreeable nature. Hearing a full melody has, however, been reported. A certain musician had to give up his profession altogether, as every time he played a note a second inharmonious tone resounded in his ear. So mixed are these noises that deafness occasionally drives strong men to suicide. It is reported that Beethoven was more than once tempted to put an end to his existence after he became deaf. A case is related of a professor who, finding that he could obtain no relief for a dreadful continuous roar in his head, said as he left the doctor's consulting room that he would blow his brains out, and shortly afterwards did so. Fortunately, however, these noises are frequently curable. There are no cases which give such good results as fresh cases of ear disease, and none that gives less benefit than when the trouble has been allowed to run on for many years, but even in these latter instances good may follow skilled treatment. Many children apparently stupid and lazy, are only more or less deaf, the stupidity really being with their parents, who have failed to notice the defect. On this account it is strongly and wisely urged that the ears of all dull and backward children should be examined.—*The Family Doctor.*

Southern Diocese.

Rev. O. J. WHILDIN, General Missionary.
W. 1436 Lanvale St., Baltimore, Md.

PRINCIPAL MISSION STATIONS.

Baltimore—Grace Chapel, Park Ave. and Monument St. Services and Bible Class meetings every Sunday, 3:00 P.M.
Washington, D. C.—St. Barnabas Mission, Church of the Good Shepherd, 6th and 1st St., N. E., Rev. H. C. Merrill, Assistant. Services and Bible Class meetings every Sunday, 11 A.M.

Wheeling, W. Va.—St. Elizabeth's Church for the Deaf, Mr. J. C. Bremer, Lay reader. Services every Sunday, 3 P.M.
Durham, N. C.—St. Philip's Church, Bible Class meetings, every Sunday, 9:30 A.M. Miss Robina Tillingshast, Parish Visitor. Services, every Sunday, 3 P.M. Mr. Roma Fortune, Lay-Reader.
New Orleans, La.—St. Paul's Church, Camp and Gaiene Streets, Mr. H. L. Tracy, Lay-reader. Services monthly.

The General Missionary visits the above and numerous other stations in the South upon such occasions as are appointed and locally made known. The Missionary will be glad to confer with any one desiring to assist in the work of the Mission.

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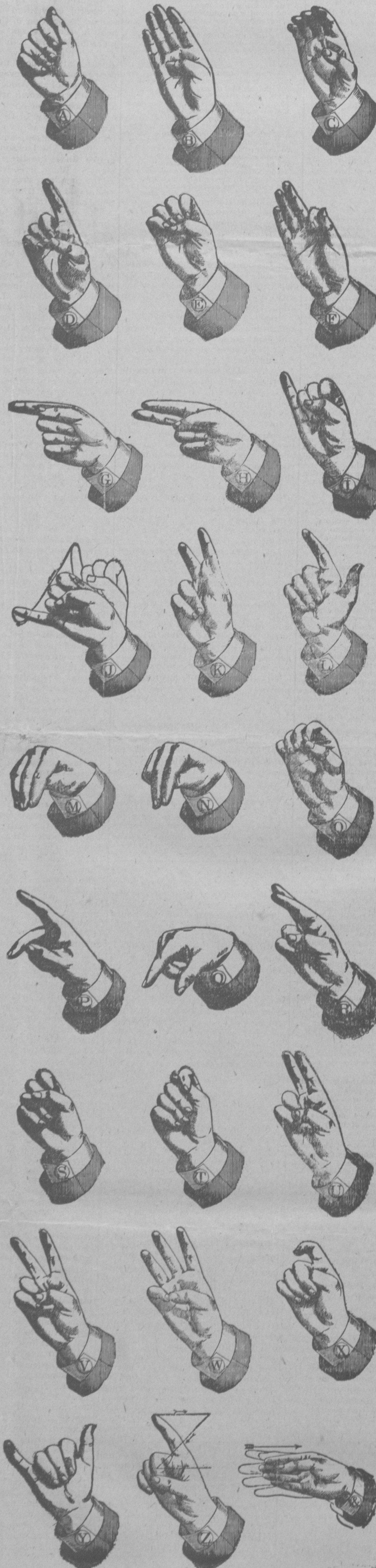
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